

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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10 A retainer clip is used for retaining a lock plug within a
bore of a lock housing. The retainer clip includes a generally
arcuate body disposeable about the plug outer surface and having
a radial retention surface positionable generally against a
15 housing end surface so as to prevent axial displacement of the
plug along the bore. Two projections are each disposed proximal
to a separate end of the body, each projection being disposeable
within a separate plug opening when the body is disposed on the
plug to retain the clip engaged therewith. The clip body has a
15 hinge, a first arm portion extending between the hinge and one
free end and a second arm portion extending between the hinge
and the other end. The hinge is configured so that the two arm
portions are deflectable generally about the hinge to move with
respect to each other during installation and removal.